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Ah ha ha!
Kya!
Hey you kids! It's dangerous to play in a place like that!
Kyahaha!

JUST WHO DO YOU THINK I AM?
AS LONG AS I, ALBERT, AM HERE, I WON'T LET ANYONE GET HURT!
ALBERT ...
BE QUIET !!
Martha's Hip Attack!!!
GAH !!

I SWEAR, EVER SINCE I FOUND YOU, YOU'VE BEEN MISCHIEVOUS,
AND YOU HAVEN'T CHANGED ONE BIT SINCE THAT TIME.
DON'T BE CHEEKY! I'M SAYING DANGEROUS THINGS ARE DANGEROUS
Don't underestimate me!
AS PUNISHMENT, TAKE THESE FISH TO THE MAYOR.
EHHH?
AND DON'T TAKE ANY DETOURS JUST BECAUSE THE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL IS COMING UP!
DON'T GIVE ME THAT!
Gah!
IF YOU GO DOWN STREETS WITHOUT AN ADULT,
A CHEEKY BOY LIKE YOU WILL INSTANTLY GET CAPTURED AND SOLD INTO SLAVERY.

THERE YOU GO AGAIN...
THEN COMPLAIN TO THE QUEEN!
THERE YOU GO AGAIN ONLY REFERRING TO MEN!!
WHAT DID YOU SAY?
THIS IS A COUNTRY WHERE BY JUST BEING BOYS, EVEN KIDS FROM NOBLE FAMILIES ARE SENT TO BE SERVANTS.
MEN DON'T HAVE RIGHTS IN THIS COUNTRY, SO IF YOU GET CAPTURED, THAT'S THE END.

WELL, ALL OF US ARE POOR WHETHER WE'RE MEN OR WOMEN!
Ah! Ha! Ha!
.....
AL, MARTHA WILL GET MAD AT US IF SHE FINDS OUT WE WENT DOWN STREETS WITHOUT AN ADULT.
What are you saying?
AREN'T YOU TWO YEARS OLDER THAN ME? YOU'RE AN ADMIRABLE ADULT, THEODORE
He made him do the job
WANTING TO GO AFTER YOU'RE TOLD NOT TO IS HUMAN NATURE!
An admirable adult...?
BESIDES, DON'T YOU ALSO WANT TO SEE IT?
I'M SURE THE TOWN CENTER IS LIVELY DECORATED FOR THE QUEEN'S UPCOMING BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL...

THERE AREN'T ANY DECORATIONS.
.....
ARE THEY NOT DOING THE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL THIS YEAR?
THAT CAN'T BE.
SINCE THE QUEEN HAS BEEN HIDING AWAY, BUSINESS HAS TAKEN A BAD TURN FOR ME, TOO.
THE SAME GOES FOR ME, AND MY HUSBAND HAS NO SENSE OF THE IMPENDING CRISIS. WHO DOES HE THINK SUPPORTS US?
Should I get a new husband?

BUT EVEN SO...
SO IT WAS TRUE THAT THE QUEEN IS SICK...
PLEASE HAVE PITY ON ME! I'LL DO ANYTHING, SO PLEASE AT THE VERY LEAST DON'T FIRE ME!
I'M TERR-IBLY SORRY, MADAM !!
YOU BROKE ANOTHER OF THE SHOP'S PLATES, RIGHT!? I SWEAR, MEN ARE USELESS! THERE ARE TONS WHO COULD REPLACE YOU!!
THE QUEEN DECIDED THAT BY LAW
...WHY DO THE MEN IN TOWN ACCEPT BEING TREATED THIS HARSHLY?
SO I HEARD MEN HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO DO WHAT THEY'RE TOLD.
ONLY WOMEN CAN EARN INCOME IN TOWN,

THEN THAT'LL HAPPEN TO US, TOO?
NO, AS LONG AS WE STAY IN THE PORT, WE'LL ALWAYS BE POOR.
I SEE! THAT'S GREAT!
Hurray!
What do you mean
AH!
WAIT! MY HAT!
THEO! DON'T GET SEPARATED FROM ME!!
Hey! Where did you go!?
THE ONLY THING GOING FOR HIM IS THAT HE'S NIMBLE ON HIS FEET.

!!
THEO-
DORE!
WHAT
THE
HELL!?
ISN'T THIS GREAT, SIS? WE FOUND TWO BOYS JUST LIKE WE NEEDED.
I DIDN'T EXPECT THEM TO DIE AS WE WERE TAKING THEM ALONG,
BUT IT'S GOOD THESE TWO ARE FRESH. WE CAN SELL THIS ONE FOR A HIGH PRICE.
SLAVE
TRAD-
ERS!?

MADAM ALEXIA, WHAT ARE YOU...
DO YOU INTEND TO TALK BACK TO ME, GUY?
NO,
AS YOU WISH.
THE OVERLY VIGOROUS ONES THAT MAKE A RACKET AND BITE ARE SUCH TROUBLE.
HEY! HURRY UP AND WALK!
GUY, LISTEN UP.
YES?

IT'S UNBECOMING OF A TRADER TO RAISE HIS HAND TO THE GOODS HE'S SELLING.
IF YOU DON'T LISTEN TO WHAT I SAY, I DON'T KNOW WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO THIS ONE!
WHA !?
NAME YOUR PRICE FOR THAT IMPUDENT BOY.
!?
ARE YOU... SERIOUS?
CERTAINLY. PLEASE DON'T IRRITATE ME SO MUCH.
TH... THEN FOR 1,000 REU-
NO, HE'S WORTH 10,000 REUGNIES!!

...I SEE.
THEN WE'LL BUY HIM FOR 1 MILLION REUGNIES.
O-ONE MIL-LION !?
!!
CERTAINLY. YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT THIS PRICE MEANS, RIGHT?
Y...YES. WE'LL KEEP IT A SECRET...
GOOD.

ALL RIGHT, COME ALONG.
AL! DON'T GO!
I SEE.. SO YOU'RE NOT JUST BEING TEMPERA-MENTAL.
VERY WELL. WE'LL PURCHASE HIM TOGETHER WITH THAT BOY, TOO

NOW'S OUR CHANCE!!
AL!!!
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キラ
YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM ME.
Pull
It smelled bad!!
I have bad breath?
Bu a ahh
?
Urgh!
?
Qah !!
Let us out!!
DO YOU HAVE A MOMENT ?

NN...
!?
Ah!
I CAN'T LET YOU MEET THAT PERSON WITH YOU DIRTY-LOOKING.
WHAT THE HELL IS GOING ON!?
Were we abducted by a pervert, after all!?

IT'S BECAUSE I DON'T WANT TO SEE A BOY'S NAKED BODY, OF COURSE!
Uh-oh, it seems like you were a bigger pervert than I expected..
Who are you calling a pervert?
...WHY ARE YOU BLINDFOLDED?
I'M NOT "YOU". CALL ME MONSIEUR GUY!
YOU HAVE ONE TOO!!
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH THAT UNNECESSARY THING FLOPPILY SWINGING AROUND? DO YOU INTEND ON USING HYPNOSIS?
Circle Private
I'D LIKE TO LEAVE WITHOUT HAVING TO WASH A BOY'S BODY EVEN ON THE OTHER SIDE OF A MOP,
SCREWY-
Ublph!

I DON'T UNDER-STAND!!
BUT IF ORDERED TO, IT'S A SERVANT'S DUTY TO OBEY. DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE HARDSHIP I'M GOING THROUGH?
EEEK!!
BARE, BARE, BARE, BARE SKIN! IT'S WARRRRM! WHAT'S GOING ON!!?
NOW! RUN, THEO!!
DON'T JUST SIT THERE !!!
AHHH! THIS FEELS NICE!♪

STOP THIS RIGHT NOW...
!!
MOTHER, IS THAT BABY POSSIBLY ..!!
...THIS IS
スキャーン

Fall!
ASEKO FJIK OSE BUBO AI!!!
OWW.
VERY WELL THEN.
IF IT'S COME TO THIS, I'LL GIVE YOU A THO-ROUGH CLEAN-ING.
Kyaaaa...

What a nice scent!
WELL, SHE CAN SEE YOU NOW.
WHAT IS IT?

NOTHING
HOW LONG DO YOU INTEND ON MAKING ME WAIT, GUY?
MADAM ALEXIA!
A...ALEX? WHAT DID HE SAY?
WHAT ARE YOU PLAYING DUMB FOR?

THIS IS PRINCESS ALEXIA LUMIERE, HEIR TO THE THRONE OF OUR COUNTRY, THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN, OF COURSE.

HE REALLY DOES BEAR A RESEM-BLANCE.
IT SEEMS THAT MY JUDGMENT WAS CORRECT.
WHA!?
SHE'S A PRIN-CESS!?
AL? YOU HAVEN'T REALIZED IT?
RESEM-BLANCE?
THIS PRINCESS LOOKS JUST LIKE YOU.

YOU GOTTA BE KIDDING ME...
YOU HAVEN'T REALIZED IT UP UNTIL NOW?
EXCUSE HIM.
MY NAME IS ALEXIA LUMIERE,
AND THIS IS MY PERSONAL ATTENDANT GUY SCHWARZWALD, WHO'S ALSO IN CHARGE OF MY EDUCATION.
THERE'S NO WAY I'D KNOW! I'VE NEVER SEEN YOUR FACE BEFORE, AFTER ALL.
GUY.
HOW DARE YOU SPEAK TO THE PRINCESS LIKE

AND WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
...
ALBERT.
...I HAVE NO LAST NAME.
I SEE.
I-I DON'T HAVE ONE EITHER! I'M JUST THEODORE, BUT MARTHA
WELL THEN, ALBERT, THEODORE, YOU MUST BE TIRED FROM TODAY.
I DON'T CARE ABOUT THAT! LET US GO HOME!
ALSO, THERE ARE ROOMS FOR YOU TWO THAT HAVE BEDS WITH WARM BLANKETS, AMONG OTHER THINGS...
HEY! LISTEN TO ME!
DINNER HAS BEEN PREPARED. YOU CAN JUST EAT WHAT YOU LIKE.

TAKE YOUR TIME.
WELL, IT FEELS LIKE I'VE EATEN ENOUGH MEAT FOR A LIFETIME NOW, SO I REALLY, REALLY DON'T NEED ANY FOR A WHILE HUH? "THOUGH YOU SAY THAT, YOU'LL SAY YOU'LL WANT TO EAT MEAT AFTER A WEEK, RIGHT?" YOU SAY? NO, NO, NO WAY! IF YOU WERE TO ASK HOW LONG..
Hgph!
YOU'RE BEING LONG-WINDED AND ANNOY-ING!!

UHH, WHAT'S GOING ON?
WE'RE GONNA ESCAPE!
WHAT DOES THAT PRINCESS HAVE IN STORE FOR US...?
AT ANY RATE, THERE'S NO TELLING WHAT'LL HAPPEN TO US IF WE STAY HERE.
SO LET'S GO!
OKAY..I UNDER-STAND.
DON'T GO BACK TO SLEEP!!
AFTER FIVE MORE MINUTES
HOW FAR DOES THIS HALLWAY CONTINUE...?

WHAT'S THIS FEELING...?

DIDN'T I SAY YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM ME?
!?
AL-BERT !!
DA-MN
I CAN'T UNDERSTAND YOU.

I THOUGHT I HAD THEM PREPARE YOU FOOD AND A PLACE TO SLEEP TO YOUR SATISFACTION.
FURTHERMORE, EVEN THOUGH I GAVE YOU FREE REIN WITHIN THE PALACE, WHAT'S THERE TO BE DISSATISFIED ABOUT?
EVERYTHING! WE'RE NOT YOUR PETS... OR YOUR SLAVES!!
HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN? I'M THE ONE WHO BOUGHT YOU TWO.
THOSE SLAVE TRADERS CAPTURED US! WE DON'T HAVE ANY OBLIGATION TO DO WHATEVER YOU SAY!
SO LET US GO HOME ALREADY!

JUST GIVE IT UP. NORMALLY NO ONE WOULD PAY ATTENTION TO A BOY WITH NO PARENTS.
GO TO HELL !!
Sigh...
MEN OBEYING WOMEN IS A LAW OF SOCIETY.

IF YOU CAN'T OBEY,
I HAVE NO OTHER CHOICE BUT TO DO THIS!
YOU MUSTN'T, MADAM ALEXIA!
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URGH ...
キュ!!!
THEO !!

NO WAY... I WAS JUST BLUFFING...
IT'S STILL TOO EARLY FOR YOU, MADAM.
WHEN YOU KILL SOMEONE WITH A SWORD, IF YOU DON'T DO IT GRACEFULLY AND ELEGANTLY, IT WON'T BE BEAUTIFUL.
GUY!!
THAT WAS YOUR INTENTION, RIGHT? PLEASE, DON'T WORRY. I'LL HANDLE IT.
STOP!
THAT'S WHAT IT MEANS TO WIELD A SWORD.

STOP, GUY !!!
OKAY, I'LL BE YOUR PET OR ANYTHING YOU WANT.
IN EXCHANGE, PLEASE SAVE THEODORE.

Huh
I'M BEGGING YOU, PLEASE DON'T LET HIM DIE.
HE'S MY PRECIOUS FRIEND...
I'M SORRY... I BECAME A NUISANCE.
ON TOP OF THAT, YOU'RE A STUPID IDIOT WHO CAN'T SENSE THE MOOD.
ボスッ!!

BUT IT STILL HURTS.
That's where I'm wounded
OWW, THAT HURTS!
SHUT UP. THEY SAID IT WASN'T A SERIOUS INJURY.
...GEEZ,
THIS MIGHT BE THE LAST TIME, SO PUT UP WITH IT.
OKAY ...
I'LL TELL MARTHA AND THE MAYOR THAT YOU'RE OKAY, AL,
AND THAT YOU'LL BE HAPPY...
AS IF, IDIOT.

THEN I'LL COME TO TAKE YOU AWAY, AL.
I'LL GET STRONGER AND SMARTER...
SO WAIT UNTIL THEN.
Idiot.
ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE OKAY WITH SENDING THAT BOY HOME?
IT'S OKAY AS LONG AS ALBERT STAYS.
I MEANT, WON'T YOU LOSE YOUR LEVERAGE OVER HIM?

IT'S TOO EARLY FOR ME, RIGHT?
IN THAT CASE... I DON'T NEED HIM ANYMORE.
HEY, IS THIS OKAY?
!?
There are two Madam Alexias!!?
NO, ALBERT.
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO BY MAKING ME WEAR SOMETHING LIKE THIS!? ARE YOU GONNA MAKE ME YOUR DRESS-UP DOLL OR SOMETHING?

YOU'RE GOING TO ACT AS A PRINCESS IN MY PLACE FROM NOW ON!

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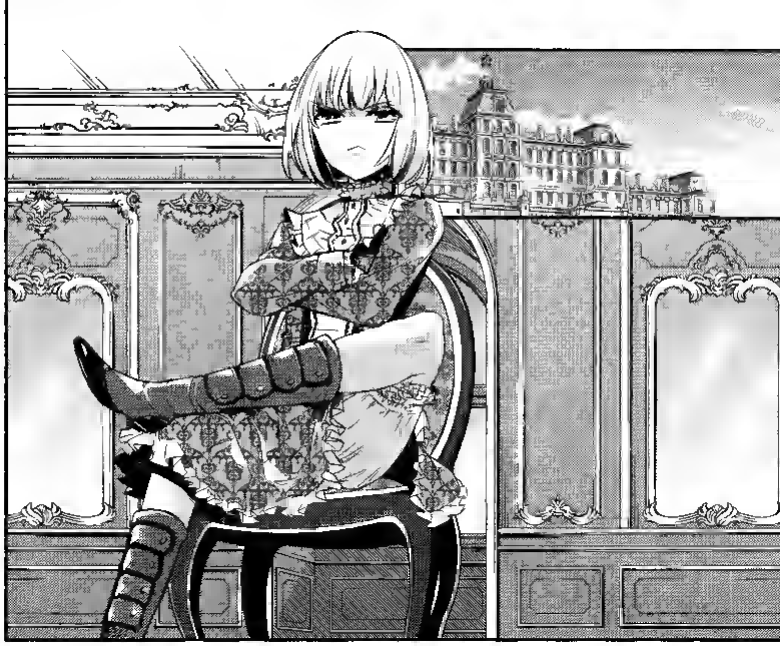
Chapter2

MADAME ALEXIA, WHAT KIND OF JOKE IS THIS?
WELL, JUST HEAR ME OUT.
W...WHOA, IF I'M GONNA BE THE PRINCESS, THEN WHAT ABOUT YOU?
IN EXACTLY SIX MONTHS FROM NOW, MY COMING OF AGE CEREMONY WILL BE CARRIED OUT WHEN I TURN 12.
I'M SURE IT'S BEEN ARRANGED THAT PREPARATIONS FOR MY MARRIAGE AND PREGNANCY WILL OFFICIALLY BEGIN AFTER THAT.
OUR COUNTRY DEEPENS BONDS WITH FOREIGN COUNTRIES THROUGH MARRIAGE,
ISN'T IT TOO SOON FOR MARRIAGE .. AND PREG-NANCY!?
SO THE QUEEN'S SOLE OFFSPRING MUST BE SWIFT AND PRUDENT. THAT'S THE OBLIGATION IMPOSED UPON MADAME ALEXIA.

Wow...
WHA!?
...IS THERE SOMEONE YOU LOVE?
THAT'S RIGHT...WHEN THAT HAPPENS, I WON'T EVEN BE ABLE TO COME IN CONTACT WITH HIM ANYMORE...
Nod
Nod
I-I-I-I-I'VE NEVER HEARD ABOUT ANY-THING LIKE THAT! WHERE ON EARTH DID HE CRAWL OUT FROM!?
GUY, CALM DOWN!
EVEN I'M CONSCIOUS OF MY STATUS AS A PRINCESS. I INTEND TO COMPLETELY BREAK IT OFF WHEN THE CEREMONY IS FINISHED.
!!

...SO THAT'S WHY I'M TAKING YOUR PLACE AS THE PRINCESS?
BUT UNTIL THAT DAY COMES, I WANT TO MAKE OUR TIME TOGETHER PRECIOUS IF ONLY FOR A LITTLE WHILE.
BUT I NEVER EXPECTED FOR ONE TO REALLY APPEAR...
WHENEVER I PASSED IN FRONT OF THAT SIDE ENTRANCE, I WOULD GAZE WITH A SLIVER OF HOPE OF THERE JUST BEING ONE KID WITH THE SAME FACE AS ME,
ARE YOU SAYING YOU CAN'T DO IT, GUY?
SO, THEREFORE, YOU'RE GOING TO TAKE CARE OF HIM, GUY.
ME!?
.....
...NO, AS YOU WISH.

RELAX, A PRINCESS DOESN'T GO BACK ON HER WORD.
REALLY?
DON'T WORRY. WHEN THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY IS COMPLETE, I'LL LET YOU GO.
HUH!?
AHH, AND HE'S SOMEONE WITH A MYSTERIOUS PAST YOU KNOW, TOO.
YES, MADAME
WELL THEN, TAKE CARE OF IT STARTING TOMORROW.
A HORSE !?
I'M TALKING ABOUT MY FAVORITE UNTAMED AND STUBBORN HORSE OSCAR.
Ohhh!
AHH! THAT'S TRULY WONDERFUL ...!!
HEY! I WAS TAKEN AWAY BY YOU BECAUSE OF A HORSE!?
Thank you, God!!
HUH ...?



OWWW!
KEEP YOUR LEGS CLOSED!!

DO YOU THINK THE PRINCESS WOULD DO SOMETHING DISGRACEFUL LIKE THAT!?

IT SEEMS YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND.
ALTHOUGH IT'S FOR SIX MONTHS, IF YOU'RE UNABLE TO BEHAVE LIKE THE PRINCESS,
EVEN YOUR BRAIN UNDERSTANDS WHAT'LL HAPPEN, RIGHT?
VERY GOOD.
LISTEN, PEOPLE WON'T THINK YOU LOOK LIKE A GIRL JUST BY CROSS-DRESSING.
BY JUST BECOMING CARELESS ABOUT ANY OF YOUR GESTURES, BEHAVIOR, AND WORD USAGE, YOU'LL LOOK RIDICULOUS.
ISN'T THE DIFFERENCE WHETHER YOU HAVE IT ATTACHED OR NOT?
FAR FROM IT!!

PLEASE DON'T LUMP MY DEAR FAIRIES IN WITH A DIRTY BARBARIAN LIKE YOU!!
THAT'S ESPECIALLY IMPORTANT!
HUH??
LOOK AT THESE!
BUT THAT'S ESPECIALLY WHERE A WOMAN'S TRUE BEAUTY LIES!
What...is this Mood...?
CERTAINLY, THERE MAY NOT BE MANY SEXUAL DIFFERENCES BETWEEN MEN AND WOMEN BEFORE THE ONSET OF SECONDARY SEXUAL CHARACTERISTICS,
THESE LOVELY GIRLS ARE GIVING OFF A MYSTICAL RADIANCE!
WITH THEIR TRANSPARENT SKIN AND LONG AND SLENDER ARMS AND LEGS,
THEY BEAR A SOFT, CURVY FORM WITHOUT ONE BIT OF UNNECESSARY SWELLINGS!!

THERE'S NO OTHER WAY TO DESCRIBE THEM BUT AS MIRACLES BROUGHT FORTH BY GOD!!
AHH! THEY'RE SO BEAU-TIFUL!!
SO YOU WERE A PERVERT, AFTER ALL...
WHO ARE YOU CALLING A PERVERT? ISN'T IT NATURAL FOR ANYONE TO GET EXCITED FROM A SINGLE GLANCE OF A FAIRY?
WHAT ARE THESE FAIRIES YOU KEEP TALKING ABOUT?
I'M TALKING ABOUT THESE GIRLS!
WITH MADAME ALEXIA AT THE TOP, PURE AND SWEET YOUNG GIRLS...
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ARE CALLED FAIRIES BY PEOP
NO THEY AREN'T, YOU PEDOPHILE!!

I'M SORRY! I'M SORRY!!
YOU'RE BEING A BAD BOY.
DO YOU WANT ME TO LOVE YOU THAT MUCH?
What did you plan on doing if [illegible] born...?
...GUY, KNEEL BEFORE ME.
HMM...
WELL, ANYWAY,
WITH A PATHETIC IMITATION LIKE THAT...
SUCH AS SOMETHING YOU CAN IMITATE SO AS TO ESPECIALLY GRASP ITS CHARACTERISTICS
YOU SHOULD DEFINITELY LOOK AT MORE MATERIALS AS A GUIDE,

ARE YOU UNABLE TO DO WHAT YOU'RE TOLD, GUY!!?
THIS INTENSITY...
YEAH, RIGHT. I GUESS IT WON'T WORK EVEN IF I JUST IMITATE HER TONE OF VOICE.
.....
Smack!
Don't scratch your butt!!
OWW!!

FOR SEVERAL DAYS AFTER THAT, GUY'S STRICT TRAINING CONTINUED REGARDLESS OF DAY OR NIGHT.
POINT YOUR TOES STRAIGHT AHEAD WHEN YOU WALK! YOU'RE NOT ALLOWED TO WALK BOW-LEGGED!!
YOU MUST ALWAYS HAVE A STRAIGHT-UP ELEGANT AND DIGNIFIED POSTURE!
YOUR BODY MOVEMENTS SHOULD BE DONE COMPACTLY FROM THE INSIDE OUT!
Cough...
AH!! NOT LIKE THAT!!!
Wiggle
Wiggle
Ahhh!!
Enough already!!

WHAT ARE YOU RESTING FOR? THERE'S STILL YOUR EDUCATION TIME LEFT TO DO.
GEH!
What are these...?
THE PRINCESS CAN EASILY SPEAK TEN LANGUAGES,
It's all Greek to me.
SO YOU HAVE TO AT LEAST LEARN THE BASICS.
AFTER THAT, THERE'S READING AND WRITING, NOT TO MENTION YOU NEED TO KNOW A LITTLE ABOUT POETRY, HOW TO THE PLAY THE PIANO, AND ART KNOWLEDGE, TOO.
W-WAIT, WHAT? THE PRINCESS DOES ALL THAT!?
I HAD THOUGHT SHE DID THINGS SHE LIKED AND HAD MORE FUN..
ALSO, THE TRUE DUTIES THE PRINCESS HAS TO PERFORM ARE THINGS THAT GO FAR BEYOND YOUR IMAGINATION.
IF SHE DID THAT, WE WOULD BE TAKEN OVER BY ANOTHER COUNTRY IN THE BLINK OF AN EYE, OF COURSE.
...YOU MEAN HER MARR-IAGE?

WHICH COUNTRY SHE UNITES WITH THROUGH MARRIAGE IS NOT THE ONLY THING THAT'S IMPORTANT.
SHE MUST BE WATCHUL OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS,
IF SHE DOESN'T CONTINUALLY GIVE BIRTH, SHE WON'T BE ABLE TO SUSTAIN THIS COUNTRY.
NOT TO MENTION THAT SHE CAN'T BE CALLED A TRUE QUEEN UNTIL SHE GIVES BIRTH TO A GIRL.
AND EVEN IF SHE DOES, WHO KNOWS WHEN SHE'LL SUFFER MISFORTUNE?
.....
WHAT IF SHE GIVES BIRTH TO A BOY?
WHAT WOULD COME FROM RAISING SOMETHING UNNECESSARY?

THEN ARE YOU SAYING A BOY WOULD BE KILLED?
...I'LL LEAVE THAT TO YOUR IMAGINATION.
.....
Whew!
SO I'M FINALLY GOING OUTSIDE TOMORROW...
WHAT'S GONNA HAPPEN IF I'M FOUND OUT...?

WHAT WOULD COME FROM RAISING SOMETHING UNNECESSARY?
I DON'T UNDER-STAND THE THINKING OF NOBLES!!
Well, this is only for six months, so it's okay!
DAMN IT... THIS BED IS TOO WIDE AND COLD.

Haa!
Haa!

UH!
Haa!
H-HEY, YOUR BREATHING IS LABOR...
Haa!
Kyaaa!!
WHAT'S GOING ON!?
WHAT'S WITH THIS GUY!? HE SUDDENLY HUGGED ME!
...HOW ASTONISHING!

IT'S AS IF I'M LOOKING INTO A MIRROR.
I NEVER THOUGHT MY WISH OF GETTING TO TOUCH MADAME ALEXIA'S LIPS WOULD COME TRUE, SO ALL OF MY FEELINGS UNINTENTIONALLY RUSHED OUT
That was a close one
FROM THE START !!
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THIS BULGE MEANS YOU'RE ALBERT!? Since when!?

NEVERTHELESS, TO THINK WE'D LOOK THIS ALIKE WITH ONLY MAKEUP...
Yes, your highness!!
House!!
THERE'S NO PROBLEM.
ARE YOU OKAY.. WITH AN ATTENDANT LIKE HIM?
THEY SAY THERE ARE THREE PEOPLE IN THE WORLD WITH THE SAME FACE,
BUT IT'S AS IF YOUR MY EXACT REPLICA.
IF EVEN GUY CAN'T TELL US APART, THERE'S NOTHING TO WORRY ABOUT.
.....
ALBERT, I HEARD YOU'RE GOING TO PRACTICE GOING OUT INTO THE GARDEN TODAY...

AND GUY, PROTECT ALBERT AS YOU WOULD ME!
YES, YOUR HIGHNESS.
HUH?
BUT WHEN YOU GO OUTSIDE, BE SURE TO PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR SURROUND-INGS.
BE CAREFUL OF WHAT YOU SAY. YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN OR WHERE SOMEONE WILL BE LISTENING OR WHAT THEY'LL HEAR.
HEY, IS THERE SOMETHING OUTSIDE?

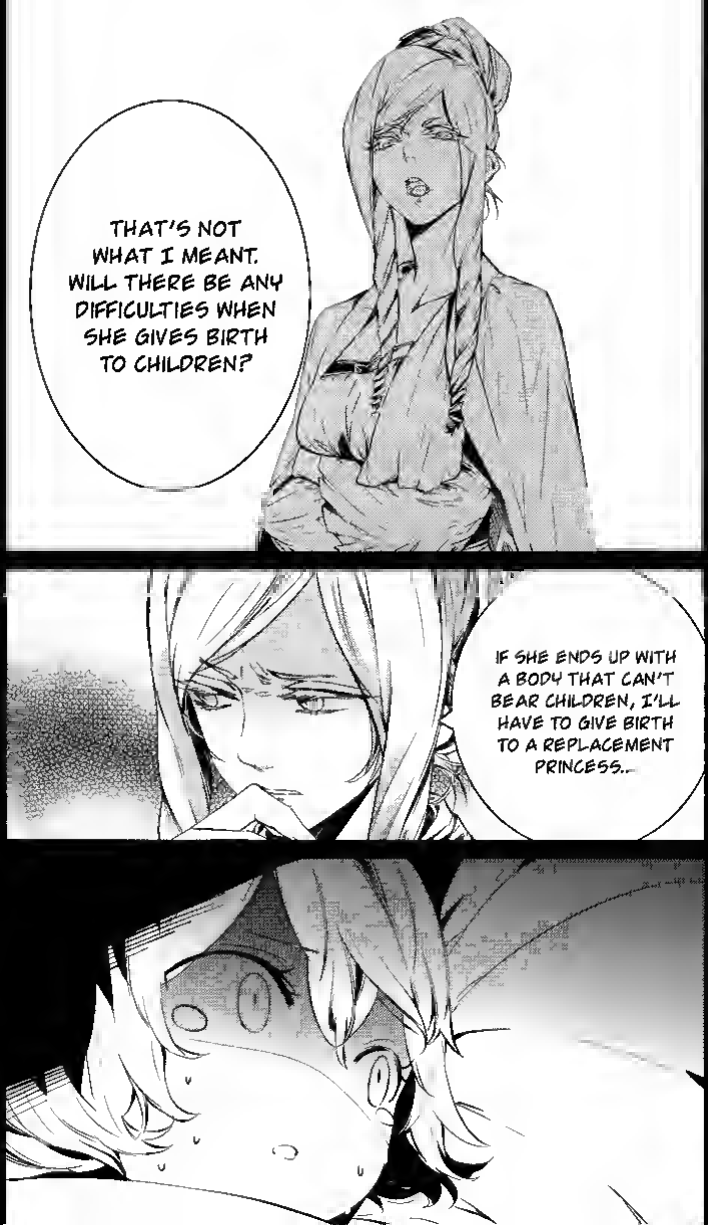
I KNOW.
Glance
!?
OH MY, I BEG YOUR PARDON. I ACQUIRED A NEW BOW AND ARROW, SO MY HAND SLIPPED.
Teh heh!

WH... WHAT'S WITH THEM?
SHE'S AN AMBITIOUS PERSON, SO WATCH OUR FOR HER.
THAT'S THE QUEEN'S SECOND YOUNGER SISTER.
SHE'S THE QUEEN'S SISTER!?
AMBI-TIOUS!? I WOULD HAVE DIED IF I HAD TAKEN ONE WRONG STEP!
THAT SHOULD BE OBVI-OUS
SHE'S WANTS YOU TO DIE, AFTER ALL.
!!
DON'T TELL ME...THAT THIS SORT OF THING .. HAPPENS EVERY DAY...?

YES, OF COURSE.
NOOOOOO!!
I WANT TO GO HOME!!

第3話
Chapter 3

SO HOW'S ALEXIA?
MOTHER!
...MOTHER WAS WORRIED AND CAME TO SEE ME...!
SHE'S THROUGH THE WORST OF IT HER FEVER SHOULD SUBSIDE BEFORE LONG


THAT'S NOT WHAT I MEANT. WILL THERE BE ANY DIFFICULTIES WHEN SHE GIVES BIRTH TO CHILDREN?
IF SHE ENDS UP WITH A BODY THAT CAN'T BEAR CHILDREN, I'LL HAVE TO GIVE BIRTH TO A REPLACEMENT PRINCESS..

YOU HAD THAT DREAM AGAIN?
EVEN THOUGH I'VE BEEN DISTRACTED WITH ALBERT SINCE HE CAME.
ALTHOUGH WOMEN HAVE A HIGH SOCIAL POSITION, AS THOSE WITH BODIES WHICH BEAR CHILDREN, THEY HARBOR AN INESCAPABLE HARDSHIP...
THE SAME GOES FOR EVEN A VERY YOUNG GIRL LIKE HER.
GUY, WHAT DO YOU THINK?

I CAN'T THINK OF HIM AS A STRANGER WITH US LOOKING SO MUCH ALIKE.
I DON'T THINK IT'D BE STRANGE EVEN IF WE WERE BY SOME CHANCE BLOOD RELATED...
SURELY YOU JEST...
IF SOMEONE LOWLY LIKE HIM WERE A BLOOD RELATIVE OF THE ROYAL FAMILY, THEN IT'S THE END OF THE WORLD!
There'll be people running around naked, gnashing of teeth and a general clamor.
Heh!

WELL, EVEN IF WE ARE BLOOD RELATED, THERE'S NO POINT WITH HIM BEING A BOY,
CERTAINLY, NOT ONLY WOULD HE GET BEHEADED FOR TAKING MY PLACE AS THE PRINCESS, BUT ALSO FOR JUST HOW HE USUALLY ACTS HERE.
SO THERE'S NO WAY I CAN SHARE IT WITH HIM.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING WITHOUT EVEN LIGHTING A CANDLE, LITTLE SIS?
...BIG SIS...
RECENTLY, I'VE HEARD THAT A CLOSE RELATIVE OF MINE HAS BEEN AIDING THE RESISTANCE, BUT
PLEASE LISTEN TO ME!! AT THIS RATE, THIS COUNTRY WILL FALL INTO ENEMY HANDS SOONER OR LATER, SO IF YOU DON'T CHANGE NOW...
WHAT A SHAME.

THERE'S NO NEED FOR A TRAITOR IN ALEXIA'S REGIME.

SWEEP IT CLEANLY WITHOUT LEAVING ONE SPECK OF DUST!
TOMORROW, PREPARE THE MILK BATH SET ASIDE FOR THE ANNUAL HOLY DAY!
ALSO, SUPPLEMENT THE SOLDIERS AT THE SOUTH GATE, AND TAKE ALL POSSIBLE MEASURES TO...
GOOD WORK. THERE SEEMS TO BE NO OVERSIGHT IN SECURITY.

MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA!
WHEN THE CEREMONY IS OVER, YOU CAN REWARD THE SOLDIERS AS MUCH AS YOU WANT.
YES, MADEMOISELLE! THANK YOU FOR THE RARE BLESSING!
IT'S NOISY DOWN THERE. IS SOMETHING GOING ON?

I SEE YOU'RE EXTREMELY UNPATRIOTIC, TOO.
TOMORROW IS THE VERY DAY OF THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL.
AHH, IT WAS TOMORROW?
ARROWS FLY AT ME IF I GO OUTSIDE, AND WITH YOU FORCING ME TO STUDY THIS SHITY AND BORING STUFF EVERY DAY,
Ho ho ho!
Ho ho ho!
MY SENSE OF THE DAYS HAS COMPLETELY GONE OFF SOMEWHERE.
Even if a rose flower blooms, a rose is a rose.
You're the one who's being dirty!!
What do you mean shity!? Say bowel movement!
YOU TWO ARE PLENTY NOISY, TOO.
MADEMOI-SELLE ALEXIA, WHERE ON EARTH HAVE YOU BEEN...?
WHAT? I WAS TAKING A STROLL IN THE GARDEN AS A CHANGE OF PACE.

OHH, IT SEEMS LORD MELCHOR FROM MEVIN HAS ARRIVED.
MEVIN? WHY WOULD A KING FROM A NORTHERN COUNTRY...
I HEARD HE BROUGHT HIS ROYAL SINGER HE'S PROUD OF TO CELEBRATE THE QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL.

SO DESPITE HER ONLY LOOKING ARROGANT TO US COMMON PEOPLE,
THE QUEEN IS ADORED IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.
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IT DOESN'T CONCERN YOU. WHILE THEY'RE HAVING AN AUDIENCE WITH THE GUESTS, QUIETLY RETURN TO YOUR TRAINING.
EHHH? I WANNA GO TO THE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL IN TOWN AT LEAST.
You're not going.
You're no fun!!
NO, ALBERT,
YOU'LL BE ATTENDING AND HAVING AN AUDIENCE WITH THE GUESTS IN MY PLACE.

BUT STILL, THERE'S NO WAY HE CAN APPEAR AT A FORMAL OCCASION.
AND IT'S NOT LIKE THAT'S WHAT I MEANT WHEN I SAID I WANTED TO GO...
IT'S FINE. THIS IS YOUR ONE-TIME OPPORTUNITY TO BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE ROYAL BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL.
IF THERE'S ONE THING EVEN I COULD GO TO, I'D WANT TO GO SEE A COMMONER'S FESTIVAL.
I'd love to try some food from a food stall
THAT'S ABSOLUTELY OUT OF THE QUESTION!
FIRST OF ALL, IF HE GOES OUT IN FRONT OF THE QUEEN, HE'LL BE FOUND OUT.
Hey! Your pouty face is cute too!
THE ONLY THING IMPORTANT TO HER IS WHETHER I HAVE A WOMB OR NOT. SHE SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO TELL US APART.
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...BUT SHE'S YOUR MOM, RIGHT?

BEFORE SHE'S MY MOTHER, THAT PERSON IS THE QUEEN.
...AND EVENTUALLY I'LL BECOME LIKE THAT, TOO.
THAT WON'T HAPPEN.
YOU CHERISH YOUR HORSE, SO YOU'LL BE ABLE TO CHERISH YOUR CHILDREN TOO, RIGHT?

The thought of running a horse in with a blood relative of the royal family!
YOU DON'T HAVE ANY BASIS TO SAY THAT AT ALL.
EHH, YOU THINK SO?
YOUR ARGUMENT'S NOT VERY CONVINCING.
THIS IS THE FIRST TIME...THAT I'VE SEEN MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA SMILE LIKE THAT...

LONG LIVE THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN
ALL HAIL HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
I HEARD THE QUEEN DIDN'T EVEN MAKE AN APPEARANCE ON THE BALCONY THIS YEAR.
ALTHOUGH THE QUEEN IS SICK, I'M WORRIED THAT MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA IS THE ONLY PRINCESS.
THE QUEEN WILL SET A BAD EXAMPLE FOR THE OTHER COUNTRIES IF SHE DOESN'T DO THINGS PROPERLY.
I WONDER WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN...

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THAT'S THE FOX WHO'S PICKED UP ON THE SCENT OF THE QUEEN'S ILLNESS?
THAT MEANS MEVIN'S MELCHOR IS ALSO TAKING ADVANTAGE OF IT AND DESPERATELY TRYING TO MAKE HIS ADVANCE.
BUT THIS IS LIKE A DREAM TO BE ABLE TO LISTEN TO THE RUMORED ROYAL SINGER.
IF THE QUEEN COLLAPSES, ALL OF THE HYENAS WILL COME AND GATHER IN A GROUP. WITH JUST THE YOUNG MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA, SHE'LL BE DEVOURED ALL AT ONCE.
EVEN HER YOUNGEST SISTER HAD BEEN AIDING THE RESISTANCE, AND ALTHOUGH IT'S GOOD THAT THE QUEEN QUICKLY EXECUTED HER, THE INTERNAL CORRUPTION HAS CONSIDERABLY DEEPENED. NOW'S THE TIME SHE SHOULD CONTROL THE COUNTRY WITH THE POWER OF THE MILITARY.

I JUST HEARD THEM SAY SHE EXECUTED HER YOUNGER SISTER BUT...
Are they serious!? Weren't they sisters??
SHE REBELLED AGAINST THE QUEEN, SO ISN'T THAT NATURAL?
MORE IMPORTANTLY, IF YOU MAKE A STIFF FACE LIKE THAT, YOU'LL BE FOUND OUT.
H...HEY, WHAT'LL HAPPEN IF THEY DO FIND OUT?

WELL, THAT SHOULD
BE OBVIOUS.
HAHA. DON'T WORRY. ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS STAND STILL AND DON'T TALK. ISN'T THAT SIMPLE?
Of course.
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YEAH, SIMPLE. SIMPLE...
MY ASS!!
A certain aunt has kind of been looking at me for a while with piercing eyes!!
I'll curse and kill you!!
AHH... I BET ALEXIA'S LEISURELY LETTING HER HAIR DOWN RIGHT ABOUT NOW...
Look
Look

I'M COUNTING ON YOU, OSCAR.
Oh!

HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN LAETITIA IS IN ATTEN-DANCE!

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IS THE QUEEN !?
THIS PERSON
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DON'T TELL ME THIS IS THE PERSON IN THE PORTRAIT FROM THAT ONE TIME...
YOU'RE IN THE PRESENCE OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN, PRINCESS ALEXIA.

WHAT A COLD GAZE...
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RAISE YOUR HEADS.
IT'S JUST LIKE ALEXIA SAID.
SHE REALLY ISN'T EVEN GLANCING AT ME.

I'M GRATEFUL FOR YOU TAKING THE TROUBLE AT THIS TIME TO TRAVEL A LONG DISTANCE FOR THIS SPECIAL OCCASION OF MINE.
YOUR MAJESTY, KING MELCHOR,
YOUR WORDS ARE MORE THAN I DESERVE.
AHH! FOR YOU TO KINDLY ACCOMMODATE ME ON THIS HOLY DAY IN SPITE OF ME RUDELY IMPLORING A REQUEST FOR AN AUDIENCE WITH YOU,
YOUR GENEROUS HEART LEAVES NOTHING BUT A DEEP IMPRESSION ON ME, YOUR MAJESTY, QUEEN LAETITIA!!

I HEARD A RUMOR THAT RECENTLY YOU'VE BEEN UNWELL, YOUR MAJESTY,
SO TO HEAL YOUR MAJESTY'S SPIRIT EVEN IF ONLY SLIGHTLY, I BROUGHT MY ROYAL SINGER, WHO HAS AN EXTREMELY REMARKABLE VOICE.
Grin
ALL RIGHT OLIVIER, COME HERE!
IT'S AS IF AN ELF HAS MADE AN APPEARANCE IN OUR WORLD.
THAT'S THE ONE WITH THE SINGING VOICE FAVORED BY GOD...

OLIVIER, WILL YOU SING FOR ME?
WHO ARE THEY CALLING AN ELF? ELVES ARE THOSE WHO HAVE YET TO GO THROUGH THE ONSET OF SECONDARY SEXUAL...
and so on and so forth
SHUT UP, YOU PEDOPHILE.
IF YOU JUST GIVE YOUR PERMISSION, YOUR MAJESTY, HE'LL SING ONE SONG RIGHT NOW.
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YOU HAVE MY PERMISSION.
...THANK YOU FOR THIS RARE BLESSING.
THEN FOR YOUR MAJESTY, I'LL WISH FOR THE ETERNALLY CONTINUING PROSPERITY OF YOUR COUNTRY.

Breathe in...
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WHAT A BEAUTIFUL AND MYSTERIOUS SINGING VOICE...!
TO THINK IT'D BE THIS FANTASTICAL...
...ISN'T HE A MAN? WHY DOES A HIGH, FEMININE VOICE LIKE THAT COME OUT?
THAT'S BECAUSE HE'S A SINGER WHO'S BEEN CASTRATED.
CAS-TRATED ?
THEY'RE MEN WHO HAVE THEIR GENITALS SNIPPED OFF BEFORE THEIR VOICE CHANGES,
AND THUS THEY PERMANENTLY GAIN TRANSPARENT AND ANDROGYNOUS VOCAL CORDS.

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THEIR GENI-TALS ...?
HUH? THEN THEY HAVE NO P●NIS !?
Silence...
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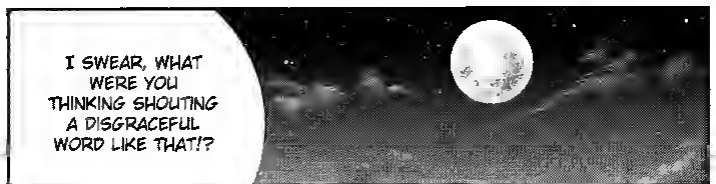
IT SEEMS THE PRINCESS IS NOT FEELING WELL, SO EXCUSE US.


I SWEAR, WHAT WERE YOU THINKING SHOUTING A DISGRACEFUL WORD LIKE THAT!?

WHY NOT TRY SAYING IT ONCE MORE!? DON'T HOLD BACK! NO, INSTEAD, SAY IT SHYLY WHILE BLUSHING!!
YOU'RE SO GROSS!!
IF YOU CAN'T PROPERLY ACT AS THE PRINCESS' SUBSTITUTE,
WOULD YOU RATHER BE CASTRATED, TOO?
NO WAY IN HELL!!
GAH!
G. GLASSES. GLASSES..
you're seriously gross!!

...NEVERTHELESS, EVEN THOUGH IT'S THE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL, WHAT'S WITH THAT UNPLEASANT MOOD? DOES ALEXIA ALWAYS EXPERIENCE...
HUH? IS THAT THE GUY FROM BEFORE ...?
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HEY, ARE YOU OKAY?
ARE YOU PRINCESS ALEXIA!?
Awww...
GEEZ. WHAT IS HE DOING?

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WATCH OUT!!
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AGAIN?
Eh heh!
Eh heh!
Ah!
WHAT POOR TASTE THAT WAS.
HE'S A SINGER WHO'S BEEN CASTRATED.

...THAT MEANS
IS IT FRIGHTENING THAT I DON'T HAVE SOMETHING I SHOULD?
NOT AT ALL!!
...YOU HAVE A KIND HEART, MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA.
BUT FOR SOME REASON, THIS PLACE IS DANGEROUS,
SO ISN'T IT BETTER FOR YOU TO QUICKLY RETURN TO YOUR ROOM?
Y-YEAH, BUT BEFORE I DO,
Ahem!
THANKS FOR SAVING ME.

THINK NOTHING OF IT...YOU'RE SOMEONE WHO MUST NOT DIE HERE,
SO PLEASE TAKE CARE OF YOURSELF.
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...DON'T YOU THINK YOU SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT THE LENGTH OF THE HEM?
WELL THEN...
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UM...ISN'T THIS WEIRD?
TH..THIS IS WEIRD!
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SORRY, SORRY. THAT LOOKS REALLY GOOD ON YOU.
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MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA, IF IT'S NO BOTHER, WOULD YOU PLEASE LET ME ESCORT YOU BACK TO YOUR ROOM?

SURE, I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU!
WHAT AN ODD GUY... BUT IT SEEMS LIKE WE GOT ALONG WELL...
WHERE DID ALEXIA GO?

NEIGH!!
EVEN THOUGH SHE SAID SHE'D CHANGE PLACES WITH ME WHEN I GOT BACK.
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WAAAA!
WHY IS A HORSE RAMPAGING?

ALEXIA!?

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WHY IS OSCAR IN A PLACE LIKE THIS?

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ALBERT!!
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WHY ARE YOU HERE...?
THAT'S MY LINE! WHERE DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GOING?
WELL I
ARE YOU SERIOUSLY SAYING THAT?
DON'T TELL ME... YOU REALLY WANTED TO EAT FROM A FOOD STALL?

...I HALF AM.
IF I WASN'T, I'D LOOK LIKE AN IDIOT FOR HAVING WORRIED ABOUT YOU.
... SORRY.

...DO YOU WANT TO QUIT BEING THE PRINCESS?
NOW THAT THE BIRTHDAY FESTIVAL'S OVER, EVERYONE'S GUARD IS DOWN!
THAT'S THE ONLY PERIOD I WANT TO HAVE SOME FREE TIME.
NO!
I'M OKAY WITH JUST MAKING THE GUARDS CONFUSED TONIGHT.
ARE YOU GONNA FOOL EVERYONE AND GO SIGHTSEEING INCOGNITO, PRINCESS?

STOP!
BESIDES, YOU DON'T KNOW AT ALL HOW DANGEROUS THE TOWN IS AT NIGHT!
DO YOU THINK YOU ALONE WILL BE OKAY!?
UP UNTIL ALL THIS HAPPENED THAT'S WHAT I HAD ALWAYS THOUGHT!
AND OF ALL THINGS YOU EVEN DRESSED AS A GUY... THAT'S TOO DANGEROUS!

...THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO KNOW.
I WANT TO KNOW ABOUT
MOTHER'S UNKNOWN WORLD!
THIS COUNTRY'S INSTABILITY IS NOW LARGELY DEPENDANT ON MOTHER'S SICKNESS.
MOTHER IS FEARED, BUT BECAUSE OF THAT, NO ONE BELIEVES IN THAT EFFECT YET.

...I'LL BE THE CAUSE OF EVERYONE BECOMING UNEASY.
WHY? AREN'T YOU STILL A KID?
IT'S BECAUSE I'M A KID!
MOTHER DOESN'T HAVE LONG TO LIVE. WITH ME FOLLOWING IN HER FOOTSTEPS, EVERYONE WILL SENSE IF I'M UNEASY.
THAT'S NOT TRUE. HAVEN'T YOU STUDIED A WHOLE LOT?
SO WHAT!? IF I PUT IN THE EFFORT, DO YOU THINK I'LL EVEN BE FORGIVEN IF THE RESULTS ARE BAD!?
UNLESS I SURPASS MOTHER, I CAN'T MAKE EVERY-ONE FEEL AT EASE.
THAT WON'T WORK!
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AND I CAN'T PROTECT THE PEOPLE...

YOU'RE...
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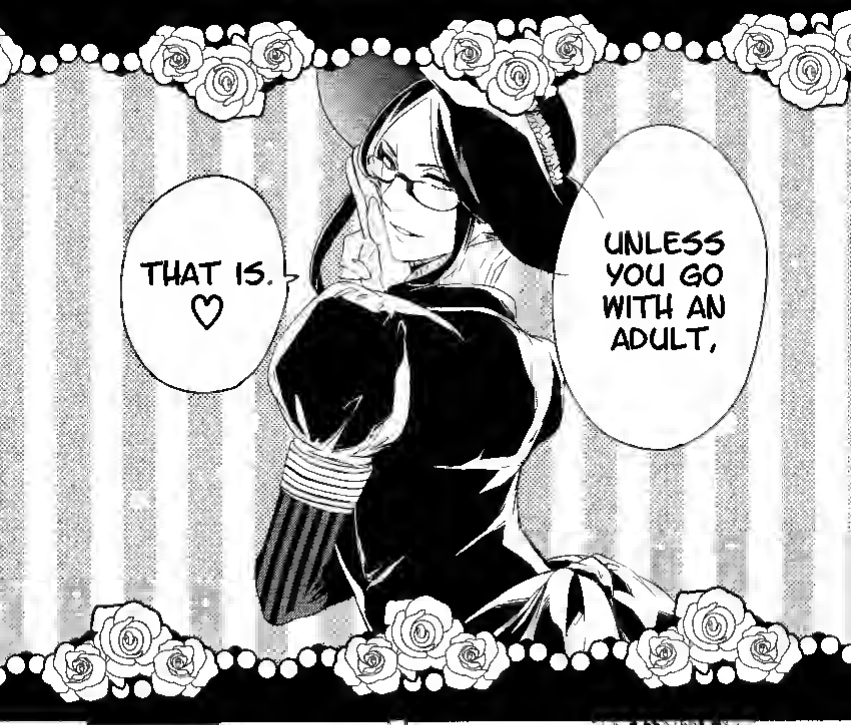
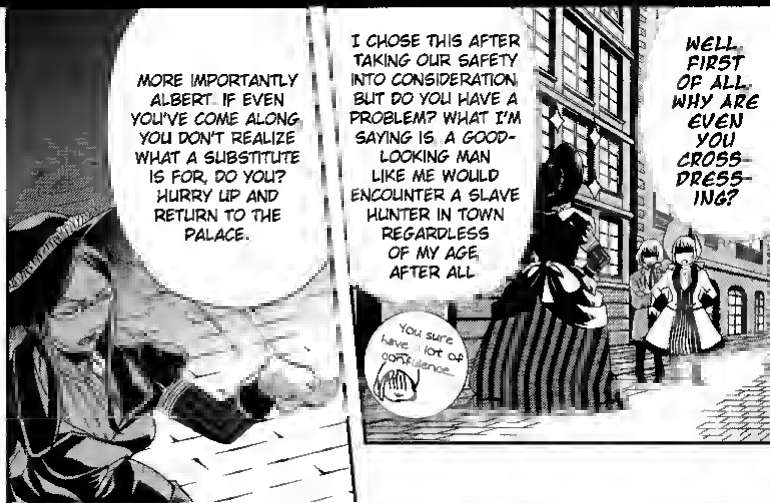
PUTTING TOO MUCH OF A BURDEN ON YOUR-SELF!!

IF IT'S ABOUT THE TOWN, LEAVE IT TO ME. IF WE GO TO MARTHA'S PLACE, I'M SURE WE'LL BE OKA...
ARE YOU GOING TO BE OKAY?
GUY!
I WON'T ALLOW YOU TWO KIDS TO GO SOMEWHERE DANGEROUS ALONE.

WHAT DO YOU
I DON'T KNOW ANY-THING,
BUT WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO GOING THROUGH TOWN WITH A PAINFUL EXPRESSION LIKE THAT?
YOU'RE LIMITED IN WHAT YOU SEE WITH A NARROW VIEWPOINT LIKE THIS.
I'M RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU, SO ARE YOU PROPERLY LOOKING AT ME?


UNLESS YOU GO WITH AN ADULT,
THAT IS. ♡


WELL, FIRST OF ALL, WHY ARE EVEN YOU CROSS-DRESSING?
I CHOSE THIS AFTER TAKING OUR SAFETY INTO CONSIDERATION. BUT DO YOU HAVE A PROBLEM? WHAT I'M SAYING IS, A GOOD-LOOKING MAN LIKE ME WOULD ENCOUNTER A SLAVE HUNTER IN TOWN REGARDLESS OF MY AGE, AFTER ALL
You sure have a lot of confidence...
MORE IMPORTANTLY, ALBERT. IF EVEN YOU'VE COME ALONG, YOU DON'T REALIZE WHAT A SUBSTITUTE IS FOR, DO YOU? HURRY UP AND RETURN TO THE PALACE.

THE PALACE ISN'T OVER THERE, GUY.
E-EXCUSE ME! ALL RIGHT, GO BACK THAT WAY!
IT'S NOT OVER THERE, EITHER.
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Heh!
PLEASE DON'T GET THE WRONG IDEA. I'M JUST NOT GOOD WITH STREETS I'M NOT FAMILIAR WITH!
THEN I'M ALL THE MORE NEEDED! IT'LL BE OKAY IF WE GO BACK BY MORNING!
GUY, HAVE YOUR SKILLS DECLINED TO THE POINT THAT YOU CAN'T PROTECT US?
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Kyaaaaa!

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE DOING!? WHEN I TOOK MY EYES OFF THIS GUY, HE STOLE 500 REUGNIES!!
SO IT'S NOT WORTH IT IF I DON'T GET ANY MONEY!
DESPITE BEING A MAN, YOU'RE GOING TO TALK BACK!?
BUT THAT'S BECAUSE YOU WERE DOING CRUEL THINGS TO ME...

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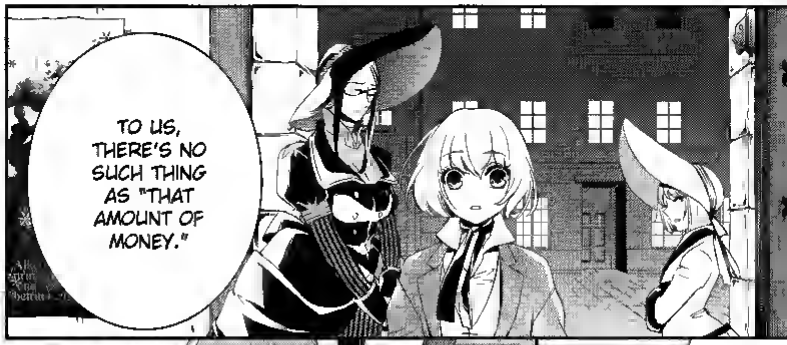
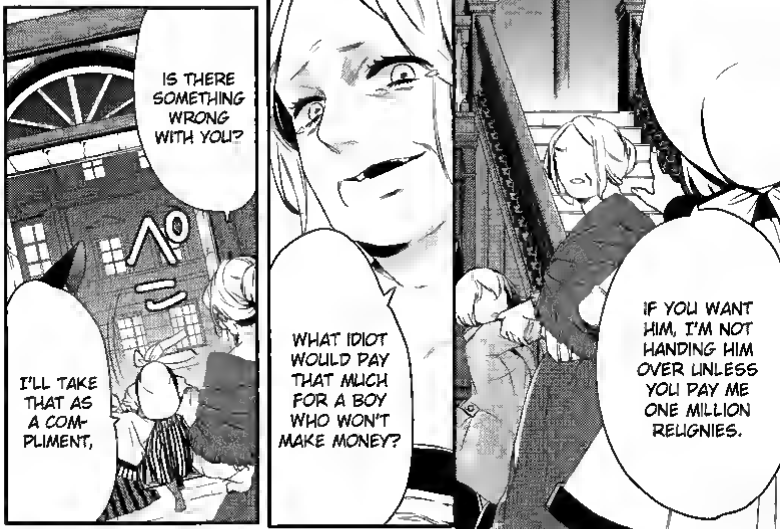
HEY! WAIT!!
EEEK !!
Ah!
LET'S LEAVE RIGHT AWAY. THIS PLACE IS...
WHY IS NO ONE STOPPING THIS?

DOES SHE NEED TO GO THIS FAR FOR THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY?


TO US, THERE'S NO SUCH THING AS "THAT AMOUNT OF MONEY."

WHAT THE? YOU'RE IN MY WAY, YOU DIRTY BRAT!
BUT...
EATING FOR TEN DAYS WOULDN'T BE A PROBLEM WITH SOO REUGNIES

WHAT DO YOU THINK? SHOULD I BUY YOU AS MY SERVANT?
...OH MY, YOU HAVE A NICE FACE WHEN I LOOK CLOSELY.
SORRY, BUT THAT KID IS MINE!


IF YOU WANT HIM, I'M NOT HANDING HIM OVER UNLESS YOU PAY ME ONE MILLION REUGNIES.
WHAT IDIOT WOULD PAY THAT MUCH FOR A BOY WHO WON'T MAKE MONEY?
IS THERE SOMETHING WRONG WITH YOU?
I'LL TAKE THAT AS A COMPLIMENT,

MADAME. ♡
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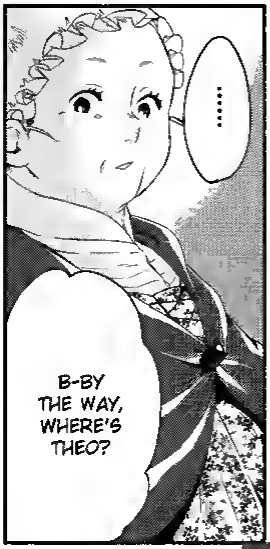
THIS KID CAN'T MAKE A LIVING.

Ahahaha!
SHE LOOKS AS IF SHE HAD A RUN-IN WITH A CRIMINAL OR SOMETHING.

EVERYONE IN THIS TOWN ARE LIKE THAT.
LIKE I THOUGHT, WE SHOULD GO BACK...
NO, I'M OKA...

ALBERT!! YOU CAME BACK!! YOU MADE ME SO WORRIED!!
HM?

You look just like him!
Whaaat? You really aren't Albert?
COM-PLETELY?
I WAS SURE HE WAS YOU, BUT YOU TWO ARE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT.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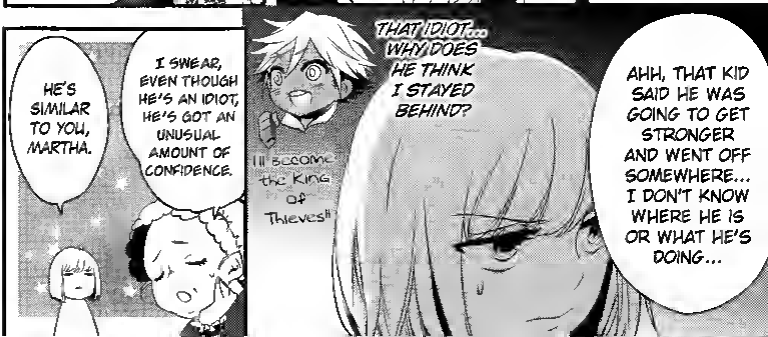
B-BY THE WAY, WHERE'S THEO?

There are so many fairies...
With two Als, you two are Al-Al!
SO RIGHT NOW YOU'RE WORKING AS A SERVANT WITH THIS KID ALFRED AT THIS WOMAN'S PLACE?

Don't say unnecessary things!
Monotone!
TH-THAT'S RIGHT! I ENDED UP HAVING TO WEAR THIS OUTFIT BECAUSE OF A CERTAIN SITUATION WHERE THEY SAVED ME WHEN I WAS IN DANGER, BUT I'LL COME BACK SOON, SO DON'T WORRY, MARTHA!


I SWEAR, EVEN THOUGH HE'S AN IDIOT, HE'S GOT AN UNUSUAL AMOUNT OF CONFIDENCE.
HE'S SIMILAR TO YOU, MARTHA.
I'll become the King of Thieves!
THAT IDIOT... WHY DOES HE THINK I STAYED BEHIND?
AHH, THAT KID SAID HE WAS GOING TO GET STRONGER AND WENT OFF SOMEWHERE... I DON'T KNOW WHERE HE IS OR WHAT HE'S DOING...

Take that!
I give up! I give up!
...ED? ALFRED?
DOES YOUR TUMMY HURT?
Ah!
NO, NOTHING'S WRONG.
ALFRED! COME THIS WAY! I'LL SHOW YOU SOMETHING NICE!
ALE... ALFRED! I'LL GO TOO!
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---MADAME, IS IT OKAY IF I STEP OUTSIDE FOR A BIT?
HUH? AH, THEN I'LL GO AS WELL.

LOOK! ISN'T IT PRETTY!?
...YOU'RE RIGHT.
IT'S AMAZING...

ARE YOU OKAY?
NO I DIDN'T!
AHH! JULES MADE HIM CRY!

WHO CONTINUED TO ENDURE A POOR LIFESTYLE AND SUFFERED IN SILENCE.
UP UNTIL NOW, I HAD THOUGHT THE MASSES WERE PITIABLE PEOPLE

I THOUGHT I HAD TO SAVE THEM FROM A LIFE BEREFT OF JOY AND HAPPINESS.

I THOUGHT THEY WERE TERRIBLY HIDEOUS.
BUT TODAY, I WONDERED IF THE PEOPLE I SAW IN TOWN WERE WORTH PROTECTING.
AFTER A FEW YEARS, WILL THOSE KIDS SHOW ME THIS OCEAN?

I WANT TO CONTINUE TO PROTECT IT.
I WANT TO PROTECT
THEIR FEELINGS OF WANTING TO SHOW ME THIS SCENERY...
AND SO THAT THIS CAN CONTINUE TO REMAIN A COUNTRY,

YOUR GOAL IS TOO BIG RIGHT FROM THE VERY BEGINNING.
IS THAT WRONG?
I'LL SUPPORT YOU.

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MARTHA, I CAN'T BREATHE!!
WHAT'S ALL THE FUSS ABOUT? WE WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE EACH OTHER FOR A WHILE AGAIN, AFTER ALL.
...I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE INVOLVED IN, BUT WE'LL ALWAYS BE THERE FOR YOU.
IF ANYTHING HAPPENS, I'LL RUSH OVER ANY TIME.
MARTHA ...
HM?
DID YOU GAIN WEIGHT AGAIN?
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MARTHA?
...I HOPE I WON'T END UP THINKING HE SHOULDN'T HAVE LET GO OF MY HAND...

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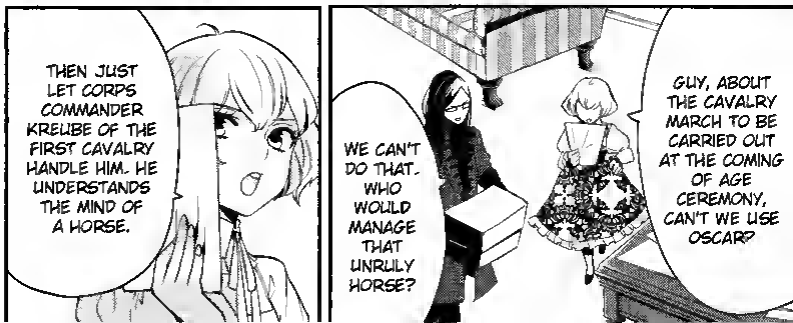
WELL, MEAN-WHILE I WAS...
OF COURSE, GUY WENT ALONG WITH HER
AFTER THAT, ALEXIA FREQUENTLY DISGUISED HERSELF AND WENT THROUGH TOWN.
HMM, SO BASICALLY, MEN USED TO BE IN CONTROL IN THE PAST?
There are still a lot of words I can't read...
LONG AGO, THERE WAS A PERIOD WHEN THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN WAS ALSO RULED BY MEN
HOWEVER, AS A RESULT OF FREQUENT REBELLIONS AND WAR CAUSED BY TERRITORY EXPANSION,
IT SUFFERED A CRUSHING DEFEAT BY LARGER COUNTRIES AND A LARGE NUMBER OF THE PEOPLE WERE LOST.
HAVING LEARNED FROM THIS EXPERIENCE,
WOMEN TOOK COMMAND AS A SYMBOL OF
ABANDONING MILITARY POWER

...BUT...
LISTEN TO THIS, ALBERT!
EVEN THOUGH THIS IS ABOUT MY OWN COUNTRY, THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS I DON'T KNOW. THERE'S THE ARGUMENT OF WHAT PURPOSE STUDYING STUFF LIKE THIS WILL SERVE ME,
DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S QUITE THE STRANGE STORY?
I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE NARROW-MINDED OR GENEROUS.
NOT LONG AGO WHEN THERE WASN'T MUCH ALCOHOL LEFT, THE GIRLS WHO HAD BEEN FIGHTING OVER SOMETHING COMPLETELY GOT ALONG WITH EACH OTHER AND STARTED TO SHARE DRINKS.
AND AS THEY LAUGHED, THEY SAID THEY'D HAVE TO WORK OVERTIME ON ONE CUPFUL TOMORROW.

THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS I CAN'T INFER BASED ON MY STANDARDS.
IF SHE CAN SHOW ME AN EXPRESSION LIKE THAT, I GUESS I FEEL INCLINED TO BEAR WITH IT FOR A LITTLE WHILE LONGER.

I GUESS I'LL KEEP AT IT FOR A LITTLE LONGER!
SINCE THAT DAY WHEN WE WENT INTO TOWN TOGETHER, I'VE BECOME INTERESTED TO SOME DEGREE IN HISTORY, LANGUAGE, ART AND MARTIAL ARTS.
NO, RATHER, I DIDN'T REALIZE MYSELF THAT I'M TRYING TO PROACTIVELY LEARN ABOUT THEM.
OH MY, IT'S MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA!
SHE LOOKS MORE FEARLESS THAN USUAL.

FOR A PERIOD OF TIME, SHE WAS A LITTLE EMOTIONALLY UNSTABLE, BUT SHE'S HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN'S SOLE CHILD ALL THE SAME.
SHE LOOKS LIKE SHE'S BEEN BLESSED WITH MENTAL PREPAREDNESS AS THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY DRAWS NEAR.
NOW ALL SHE HAS TO DO IS GIVE BIRTH TO A SPELNDED BABY GIRL.


GUY, ABOUT THE CAVALRY MARCH TO BE CARRIED OUT AT THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY, CAN'T WE USE OSCAR?
WE CAN'T DO THAT. WHO WOULD MANAGE THAT UNRULY HORSE?
THEN JUST LET CORPS COMMANDER KREUBE OF THE FIRST CAVALRY HANDLE HIM. HE UNDERSTANDS THE MIND OF A HORSE.

...THIS CEREMONY WILL ONLY HAPPEN ONCE.
WON'T YOU LET ME WELCOME IT TOGETHER WITH MY FRIEND OSCAR?
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MADEMOI-SELLE ALEX...
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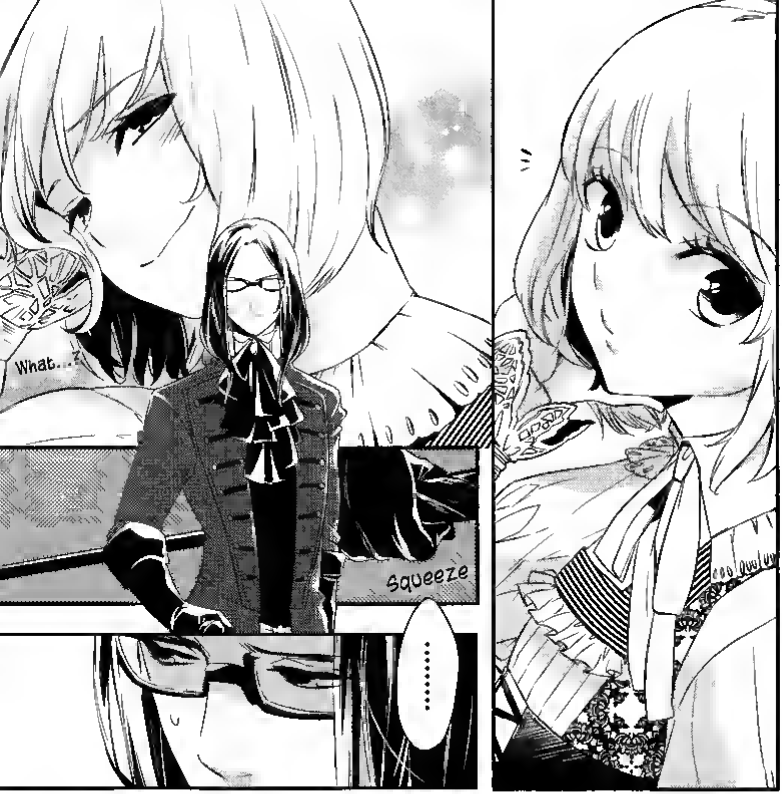
WHAT'S THE MEANING OF THIS!!?
TO THINK I'D REALLY MISTAKE THE LOVELY AND SUBLIMELY BEAUTIFUL MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA FOR A BRAT SWINGING AROUND THAT PROFANE THING!
EVEN THOUGH YOU WERE CHECKING, WOULD YOU MIND NOT NOT TAKING OFF SOMEONE'S UNDERWEAR ALL THE TIME?
HOW DISGUST-ING!! HURRY UP AND PUT AN END TO THIS!!
THEN GIVE ME BACK THE BLOOM-ERS.
YOU'VE GOTTEN PRETTY ACCUSTOMED TO THIS.
Giggle
MY ONLY STRONG POINT IS BLUFF-ING, AFTER ALL.

WELL, THIS'LL ALSO BE OVER IN TWO OR THREE DAYS, THOUGH.
I CAN FINALLY READ A LITTLE NOW, SO I GUESS I COULD ASK MARTHA TO BE HER BOOKKEEPER OR SOMETHING.
NOW THEN!
WHAT SHOULD I DO WHEN I GO BACK?
... AL- BERT,
HOWEVER,
WHEN HE GROWS UP, HIS APPEARANCE WILL NATURALLY CHANGE.

SHOULD WE REALLY SEND HIM BACK HOME LIKE THIS...?
MOTHER, IS THAT BABY POSSIBLY THE QUEEN'S
DON'T! ISN'T IT SAID THAT A TWIN BROTHER AND SISTER WILL BRING ABOUT A CATASTRO-PHE?
IF HE REALLY IS A BLOOD RELATIVE OF THE ROYAL FAMILY...
IF THAT KID IS A BOY, ISN'T THE RULE THAT HE BE KILLED!?


What...?
Squeeze
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FOR THE TWO DAYS FROM NOW UNTIL THE CEREMONY, I'LL BE IN THE CHURCH TO CLEANSE MY BODY AND MIND.

WHEN THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY IS OVER, INSTEAD OF BEING LAETITIA LUMIERE'S CHILD, I'LL START LIVING INDIVIDUALLY AS ALEXIA LUMIERE.
THIS IS ALSO THE LAST TIME I'LL MAKE AN APPEARANCE AS YOUR CHILD.
...YOU'RE STILL SAYING SPOILED THINGS LIKE THAT...
WILL YOU NOT SAY SOMETHING MOTHERLY EVEN IN THE END?

I'M STILL YOUR CHILD.
A WEAKLING LIKE THIS IS NOT EVEN WORTH BEING FED TO STRAY DOGS!
MOTHER!
...BECOME STRONGER, ALEXIA.

YOU'RE TO BECOME THIS COUNTRY'S MOTHER,
SO PLEASE BECOME STRONGER THAN ANYONE ELSE.
...EVEN MORE THAN ME...

I'M VERY THANKFUL FOR YOUR WORDS OF GRATITUDE.
TO PREPARE FOR THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY, ALEXIA HAS BEEN SECLUDING HERSELF INSIDE THE CHURCH FOR TWO DAYS.
I GUESS IT'S ALMOST TIME TO BID FAREWELL...
WHEN I GO BACK HOME, I GUESS I WON'T BE ABLE TO SEE HER EVER AGAIN.

THE DAY OF THE COMING OF AGE CEREMONY
Chapter 7
第7話
OHH, HER OUTFIT IS SURPRISINGLY SIMPLE.
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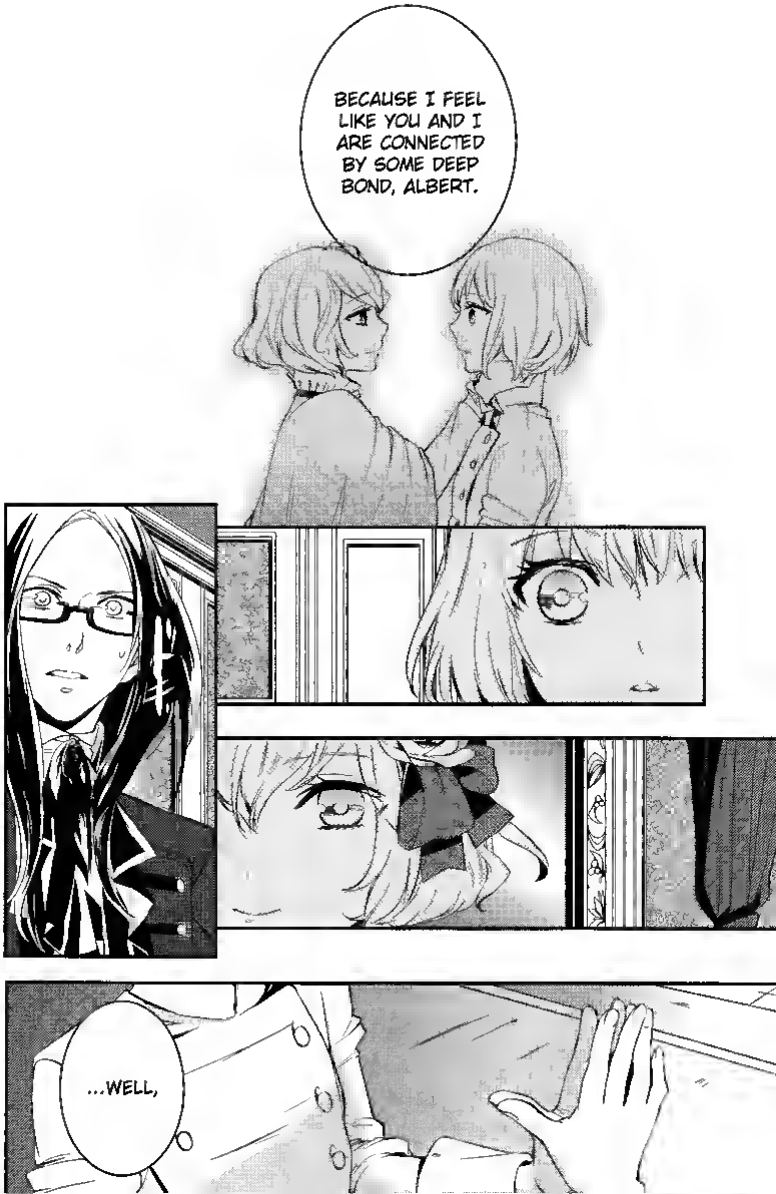
IT'S NOT THE CORONATION CEREMONY, AFTER ALL.

LISTEN, STAY HERE AND BE QUIET DURING THE CEREMONY
HEY, WHEN ARE YOU GONNA LET ME GO HOME?
THAT'S UP TO MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA TO DECIDE.
MADEMOI-SELLE ALEXIA!?
I TOLD THEM I WANT TO BE LEFT ALONE FOR A LITTLE BIT.
EVERYONE'S BEEN CLEARED OUT, SO DON'T WORRY

WHA!?
GUY,
SORRY FOR BRINGING THIS UP SO SUDDENLY, BUT CAN WE LET ALBERT ATTEND THE CEREMONY?
HUUUH? ME??
THAT'S RIGHT.
I WANT YOU TO SEE ME UP CLOSE ON THIS DAY, ALBERT.
A...ARE YOU SURE IT'S OKAY FOR ME TO ATTEND?

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?
DESPITE HAVING RESPECT FOR HUMAN DIGNITY, I LEARNED AFTER I MET YOU
ALEXIA ...
ALSO,
I'LL GIVE THIS TO YOU.
THAT ONE'S SOCIAL STATUS AND GENDER DON'T MATTER.

!
WHAT'S THIS?
WHA !!?
ISN'T THAT THE TREASURED DAGGER EMBLAZONED WITH THE COAT OF ARMS THAT'S PASSED DOWN IN THE ROYAL FAMILY!!?
IF YOU GET INTO SOME TROUBLE, JUST SHOW THAT COAT OF ARMS.
I'M SURE THAT SEAL WILL PROTECT YOU.
...WOW!
WHY WOULD YOU GO THAT FAR FOR SOMEONE LIKE HIM...?


BECAUSE I FEEL LIKE YOU AND I ARE CONNECTED BY SOME DEEP BOND, ALBERT.
...WELL,

WE MIGHT HAVE THE SAME DISTANT ANCESTOR FROM SOME-WHERE IF WE LOOK SO ALIKE!
THANK YOU.
...AND
I'M SORRY.
YEAH, YOU'RE RIGHT.
ALBERT.
HM?

.....
THE OPPOSITE OF THAT WOULD BE BETTER!
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!
I'M SORRY,
AND THANK YOU
IS MORE POSITIVE, RIGHT?

YEAH, DEFINITELY!
IS IT NECESSARY TO KILL THIS BOY WHO BROUGHT OUT ALEXIA'S SMILE...?
THIS IS THE TWIN BOY WHO'LL BRING ABOUT A CATASTROPHE...?

IS HER BODY OKAY?
WELL, IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE'VE SEEN THE QUEEN'S FACE.
OHH, THOSE ARE THE PRINCESS' FIANCE CANDIDATES?
LOOK, THE RUMORED KING MELCHOR FROM THE NORTH CAME TOO.
ONCE THE CEREMONY IS OVER, CHOOSING HER HUSBAND WILL OFFICIALLY BEGIN, AFTER ALL.

JUST WHOSE KID WILL MADEMOISELLE ALEXIA GIVE BIRTH TO I WONDER.
THE SECOND ONE FROM THE LEFT DOESN'T HAVE ANY, RIGHT? IT WOULD BE TRAGIC IF HE LOOKED LIKE HIS FATHER!!
Grumble...
Heh!
!

SHE'S MAKING A GOOD EXPRESSION.
IT'S SO BRIGHT!

TODAY, THE SUNLIGHT IS ALL THE MORE POWERFUL.

MY BELOVED...
JUST LIKE THOSE SPARKLING FISH I SAW UNDER THAT MOONLIGHT,
HOW DAZZLING IT IS,

IT CAN'T ...
BE...

MADE-MOI-SELLE ALEXIA !!
I WOULD BECOME THIS COUNTRY'S MOTHER...
EVEN THOUGH I VOWED

WHAT? WHAT HAPP-ENED?
Kyaa!
IT CAN'T BE!! MADE-MOI-SELLE ALEXIA IS!!
MADE-MOI-SELLE ALEXIA IS DEAD!!

I WANT TO PROTECT
ALEXIA'S DEAD!?
THIS COUNTRY
AND THE PEOPLE...
THIS COUNTRY IS DONE FOR NOW!!

I CAN'T LET IT END!!
...NO!
DON'T PANIC, EVERY-ONE!!
THAT'S MY DOUBLE.

EVERYONE SHOULD KNOW THAT THERE'S SOMEONE WHO'S PREVIOUSLY BEEN AFTER MY LIFE.
IF I WAS TO MAKE A PUBLIC APPEARANCE,
I HAD MY SUBSTITUTE TAKE MY PLACE IN PREPARATION FOR AN UNFORESEEN EVENT.
I AM ALEXIA LUMIERE, FIRST HEIR TO THE THRONE OF THE QUEENDOM OF MORRIGAN!

GUY, GRACIOUSLY CARRY HER TO MY ROOM.
R... RIGHT AWAY!
UNTIL I RETURN FROM MY ROOM, NO ONE LEAVES THIS AREA.
U... UNTIL THE SITUATION IS SETTLED, PLEASE WAIT HERE
GEH!
...IT WASN'T ME!! I WOULDN'T PLAN ON KILLING HER...!!

YOU SHOULD HAVE BEEN KILLED, AFTER ALL! THAT LEGEND WAS TRUE!!

I'LL ASK YOU ABOUT THAT STORY LATER!
FOR RIGHT NOW, THINK ABOUT WHAT SHOULD BE DONE!!
WHAT ARE YOU...
I SAID THAT I'M ALEXIA LUMIERE, RIGHT?
DON'T TALK NONSENSE.
WHETHER IT'S NONSENSE OR WHATEVER, I HAVE TO DO IT! THERE'S NO WAY I CAN LET THE THINGS SHE WANTED TO PROTECT BE LOST!
YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND THE GRAVITY OF THE SITUATION
NEITHER DO YOU.
ALEXIA WAS THIS COUNTRY'S LAST HOPE.

SHE WAS DESPERATELY TRYING TO LIVE UP TO THAT!
I CAN'T HAVE IT ALL GO TO WASTE KNOWING THAT!
THERE'S NO TURNING BACK.
...I KNOW.
SO HELP ME OUT, GUY...
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FEAR NOT, MY DEAR PEOPLE OF MORRIGAN!
I'M ALIVE!
EVEN IF THEY TRY TO SHOOT A THOUSAND ARROWS AT ME, I'LL KEEP GETTING RIGHT BACK UP!
AS LONG AS THIS COUNTRY EXISTS, MY LIFE CANNOT BE EXTINGUISHED!

THAT'S ALEXIA LUMIERE!
THAT'S THE SPIRIT OF THE QUEEN-DOM OF MORRI-GAN!
THIS IS
THIS IS MY
LONG LIVE THE QUEEN-DOM OF MORRI-GAN!!

RESOLVE!!

ALBERT, I'M GOING TO TAKE YOU AWAY NOW!
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女は女が尊ばれ、男が卑しまれる
女王が統べる国。

貧しい漁村に住み、親なし子ながら
元気に暮らすアルベールは
女王の聖誕祭で沸く街で
奴隷商人に攫われ、貴族の男に買われてしまう。

連れていかれた宮殿で
裸に剥かれ、身綺麗にされた
アルの前に現れたのは
なんと自分と瓜二つの"王女"だった!!

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